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## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 5TH 1909.

It is somewhat noticeable that the under-  
standing which was recently come to between  
the United States and Japan as to their  
policy with regard to China, is looked upon  
as something new and as introducing an  
element which did not before exist in the  
relations between the United States and the  
Far East. In truth what is set forth in the  
diplomatic notes which have been exchanged  
is merely an extension of the policy which  
has always been adopted by the United  
States in regard both to Japan and China—  
but more especially in respect to the latter—  
the policy, namely of exerting her influence  
at all times towards the preservation of the  
integrity of both countries. With respect  
to Japan, the question never assumed any  
definite form except with regard to Russia,  
as no other foreign nation had conceived  
the idea of trying issues with that country;  
but with reference to China the idea for  
many years past was widely spread that some  
European nation—most probably Great  
Britain—would be compelled to, or at least  
justified by circumstances, in annexing some  
portion of the apparently effete Chinese  
Empire. Against any such policy, which was  
hinted at as far back as soon after the  
Treaty of Tientsin, whose provisions the  
Chinese undoubtedly endeavoured to evade,  
the United States steadily set her face—and  
it is not surprising, viewing the state of

public feeling among the Europeans in China,  
that this policy on the part of America, was  
looked upon with disfavour. It was, how-  
ever, manifestly the only one which the  
United States could adopt; as, until recent  
years, the recognised policy of that country  
was absolutely to avoid foreign conquest  
and, to confine herself strictly to the develop-  
ment of her own vast internal resources.  
It was not unnatural that those who were in  
favour of more high-handed dealing with  
China, attributed the position taken by the  
United States merely to her special position  
—that is, that, not being able to make foreign  
conquests abroad, she wished to prevent  
other nations doing so to her possible detri-  
ment. Events, however, have shown that  
this was not the only motive which dictated  
her policy—which was that which was  
followed by the British Ministers at Peking  
who were supposed to have been influenced  
to a great extent by the attitude of America.  
For this supposition, however, there does  
not appear to be much foundation, and there  
is good reason to believe that the repre-  
sentatives of Great Britain recognised at an  
early period the desirability, if possible, of  
avoiding the responsibility of anything in  
the form of annexation in China. At all  
events England and America were quite at  
one on the subject, though the Chinese  
authorities always gave more credit to the  
latter for this non-interfering policy, being  
aware that the United States could not adopt  
any other line. Later a different attitude was  
assumed toward China, and there was much  
talk of spheres of different foreign nations  
and hints at possible annexations and a  
partition of the Empire. The Japanese war,  
however, effectually put an end to ideas of  
this kind, by giving an object lesson such as  
could not be overlooked as to what the  
responsibilities were likely to be, which  
would devolve upon any nation who adopted  
anything like a high-handed policy in the  
Far East. Thus the old policy of maintain-  
ing the integrity of China was reverted to,  
and it is that policy which is enunciated  
in the diplomatic note which has been ex-  
changed between the United States and  
Japan.

The importance of this understanding  
seems to have been somewhat overestimated.  
As was at once pointed out, no treaty has  
been concluded. This could only be done  
with the assent of the Senate, which might  
hesitate to give it on account of the immi-  
gration troubles in California. On other  
grounds, also, the United States would  
hesitate to bind herself absolutely by a  
treaty on such a point with Japan. But, as  
a deliberate declaration of future policy,  
so far as it is possible to maintain it, on the  
part of both nations, the diplomatic notes  
are of scarcely less importance than an  
actual formal treaty. So far as the United  
States is concerned, as already noticed, they  
indicate nothing new, but with respect to  
Japan, they have a different bearing. They  
have the effect of a formal declaration by  
that nation that she is willing to follow  
foreign nations in their present policy with  
regard to China, that namely of preserving  
the integrity of the Empire, and equal trad-  
ing rights to all nations. This policy on  
the part of Japan will probably be the best  
in the long run for her, and it will cer-  
tainly be that which for some time to come  
will tend most to preserve the peace in the  
Far East, which, there might be some reason  
to apprehend, might be disturbed by a  
disagreement between China and Japan, of  
which there have been threatnings from  
time to time. China will do well to fall in  
with so reasonable a line of policy as that  
which has been agreed to on her behalf, by  
two nations who are likely to have the  
greatest "say" in the matter. Indeed  
the declaration between the United States  
and Japan, follows closely the terms of the  
agreement made between Great Britain and  
Japan in 1905, so far as the integrity of  
China is concerned. It is, of course, to be  
noticed that there is a reservation which  
prevents this "understanding" from being  
taken by China as an absolute guarantee to  
maintain her independence. This might  
and probably would, be a temptation to  
China to presume upon so comfortable a  
position. The "understanding" sets forth  
that both nations are determined to preserve  
the common interests of all Powers in China  
by supporting by all pacific means at their  
disposal the independence and integrity of  
China, but it also provides that if anything  
should occur to threaten this status the two  
Governments will "communicate with each  
other in order to arrive at an understanding  
as to what measures they may consider it  
useful to take." On the whole the agree-  
ment is set forth in as definite a manner as  
can be expected and has the advantage of  
not being of so binding a character as an  
actual Treaty, which might lead to difficul-  
ties, if the circumstances at a given future  
time became markedly different from those  
under which it was made.

At last month's meeting of the Council of  
the Royal Colonial Institute, Commander John  
G. Hough, R.N., D.S.O., of Peking, was elected  
a Fellow of the Institute.

Among the passengers from England by the  
P. and O. mail steamer which arrived yesterday  
were the Rt. Rev. Bishop Price of Foochow,  
and the Rt. Rev. Dr. Boudouvier, the newly-  
appointed Bishop of South Tokyo.

At the Magistrate's Court yesterday Mr. J. H. Kemp  
committed for trial the seaman who attacked  
another on the s.s. *Kum Sang* with a knife.  
The quarrel occurred on January 15th, but the  
complainant had only sufficiently recovered to  
come out of hospital this week.

While a family of well-to-do Chinese who  
reside in Elgin Street, were at the cinema on  
Wednesday night a friend is alleged to have  
called at their house, broken open a safe and  
departed with jewellery and money to the value  
of \$11,000. The police are investigating.

We are asked to state for the information of the  
congregation of St. Andrew's Church Kowloon,  
that the Rev. E. J. Barnett will officiate at the  
Holy Communion at 8 a.m. and at the 11 o'clock  
service on Sunday next. The evening service  
will be taken by the Rev. A. B. Thornhill.

A native who was found guilty of snatching  
two gold-mounted bangles from the arm of a  
child in the Central Market was at the Magis-  
trate's Court yesterday sentenced by Mr. J. R. Wood  
to twelve months' imprisonment. He was  
further ordered to receive twenty-four strokes  
of the birch during his term in jail.

Arthur Dyer Ball of Oxford (son of Mr. J.  
Dyer Ball, who has just retired from the Civil  
Service of Hongkong) has been selected to  
represent West against South England in one  
of the international Hockey matches. It is not  
likely that he will get his place this year, but  
if he continues to play as well as he has done  
for Oxford and gets his Blue he will probably  
get international honours yet.

Mr. Robert Laidlaw, a member of the British  
House of Commons and one of the British Com-  
missioners to the Opium Conference, who with  
his daughter has been visiting Seoul, was enter-  
tained at dinner by H. E. Prince Ito at Miss  
Sontag's on the 25th ult. Mr. K. Nabeshima  
acted as Prince Ito's representative in the  
absence of the distinguished host through in-  
disposition.

Among the victims of the recent political  
earthquake in Peking, the *China Times* says, is  
Major Menzies. This officer used to be well  
known in Tientsin. He followed H. E. Yuan  
Shih Kai to Peking. Now the late President  
of the Waiwup has left the capital Major  
Menzies finds his occupation similar to that of  
Othello. It is now reported that he is going  
back once more to England—this time for good.  
Evidently he thinks the Manchu party are going  
to be in power for some considerable time.

The regular bi-weekly change of programme  
was made last night at the Alexandra Cinema-  
graph in Zetland Street, and the high standard  
adopted from its inception by this already  
popular entertainment has been maintained.

The pictures which were flashed on the scene  
are quite new to Hongkong, and metaphorically  
carry the audience to all parts of the globe  
giving a knowledge and insight of various  
countries which can otherwise only be gained  
by travelling. Romantic and melodramatic  
films add a pleasing variety to an interesting  
programme.

Two chair coolies appeared before Mr. J. H.  
Kemp at the Magistrate's Court yesterday charged  
with demanding more than their legal fare and using  
abusive language. The complainant, Mrs.  
d'Almeida e Castro, told the Court she took the  
chair from Wellington Street to Lower Castle  
Road, where she intended to call on a friend.  
On arrival at her destination she paid the  
coolies ten cents, but they made such a distur-  
bance that she threatened to charge them. The  
bearers told her they wished her to do so, and  
took her back to the Central Station. His  
Worship fined the first defendant \$10, and  
discharged the second.

The Saigon Opinion says that Chinese  
brigands captured in Upper Tonkin, continue  
to be forwarded to Singapore by the Govern-  
ment of Indo-China. Every mail steamer  
arriving there from that province brings num-  
bers of these evil-doers for despatch to Singapore,  
and it seems that the inflow is likely to continue  
for a good while. Flying columns in Upper  
Tonkin are hunting down the brigands and  
capturing many of them each day. The *Straits  
Times*, however, says it is officially informed  
that the Straits Government has consented to  
receive 700 of these men, who are not really  
brigands, but may be correctly described as  
refugees. They are arriving in batches by  
every ship and are considered to be a superior  
class of Chinese.

## HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

Turns, clever and witty, and an audience,  
cheerful and appreciative, are all to be found  
nightly in the spacious Circus tent at Canaway  
Bay. The feats of all the performers have been  
bold, and re-told, but, nevertheless, they require  
to be seen to be appreciated. William Schultz,  
the plucky cyclist whose death-daring ride is  
already famous, has acquired even greater  
notoriety by continuing his ride into the realm  
of space. Last night there was a big gap in the  
loop, but, like an aviator, Schultz passed the open  
space safely, to the unbounded satisfaction of  
the spectators who watched this daring feat  
with breathless interest. Taking all in all the  
Circus stands second to none that has been seen  
in the Far East.

## TELEGRAMS.

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THE ENGLISH PRESS ON  
JAPAN.

LONDON, February 3rd.

The London "Morning Post,"  
describes the speech delivered by  
Count Komura, Japan's Foreign  
Minister, on the foreign relations of  
the country as a striking testimony of  
the changed situation in the Far East  
—a change which is a splendid  
vindication of the Japanese national  
policy and the value of the Anglo-  
Japanese alliance. The article em-  
phasises the desirability of a good  
understanding between Japan and  
China.

"The Times" says that the clear  
positive terms in which Count Komura  
re-affirmed the acceptance of the  
"open door" policy will be received  
with general satisfaction. "The  
Times" is confident that this faith-  
fully reflects the settled policy of the  
sagacious statesmen of Japan, but the  
conduct of the Japanese Government  
concerning the Faku-men railway  
seems to many people absolutely  
irreconcilable with this policy. Critics,  
by no means unfriendly to Japan,  
declare that the admirable principles  
of the Government in Tokyo have  
borne little or no fruit over large part  
of Manchuria; but the exemplary  
good faith and fair dealing of Japan in  
her political relations with Great  
Britain convince us that she will deal  
equitably and reasonably with this  
troublesome railway problem.

HEAVY FIGHTING IN  
NIGERIA.

LONDON, February 4th.

Upwards of a thousand natives,  
armed with guns, attacked the Anglo-  
German Boundary Commissioners' stores at Soukwala, Nigeria.

The Anglo-German force routed  
the enemy on December 24th, and on  
the 26th there was heavy fighting in  
which 24 members of the Anglo-  
German force were killed and  
wounded.

The German Commissioner was  
dangerously wounded.

## AN ARMED ROBBERY CHARGE.

Five natives were charged before Mr. J. H.  
Kemp at the Magistrate's Court yesterday with com-  
mitting armed robbery at Cheungshawan on the  
25th ultimo.

Mr. King, Deputy-Superintendent of Police,  
conducted the prosecution. He told the Court  
that at one a.m. on the morning of the 25th  
January a large body of robbers, amongst whom  
the five defendants were alleged to have been,  
armed with revolvers, knives and choppers and  
carrying torches, broke into three houses at  
Cheungshawan. One robber struck one of the  
complainants over the head with a revolver,  
while the others intimidated the inmates by  
various threats, after which they proceeded to  
ransack the houses. While so engaged, one of  
the inmates escaped unobserved, hastened to the  
Police Station and reported the matter. When  
the police arrived the robbers had disappeared,  
leaving no trace behind. Two days later the  
police arrested a man who was pawning a gold  
ring in a pawnshop at Yau Ma Tei. On the  
following day a party of police and  
Inspector Dymond arrested the defendants just  
as they were entering a house at Kowloon-wei.  
In this house the wife of the first defendant,  
who was to be charged with being in possession  
of stolen property, was found. The police also  
found three revolvers, nine knives as well as a  
quantity of jewellery and clothing which had  
been identified by the complainants. The man  
who took the ring to the pawnshop was one  
of the robbers. He has been charged, and had  
elected to turn King's evidence.

Witnesses were called, and the hearing ad-  
journed.

JAPANESE CUSTOMS DUTY ON  
(OTTO) GOODS.

## PROPOSAL TO INCREASE.

The Government, remarks the *Japan Chronicle*,  
seems determined to carry out the policy of high  
tariffs against imports, without rhyme or reason.  
It is noted that cotton and white shirtings  
import duty on these articles does not exceed 9  
per cent. *ad valorem*, against about 30 per cent.  
on other fabrics. When the excise of 15 per cent.  
is added the duty on the articles in question  
does not exceed 25 per cent. (as if this were  
not enough, in all conscience!). Accordingly,  
the Government intends to increase the duty  
when the opportunity comes "in justice to other  
fabrics." Japanese dealers interested in the  
duty. They fear that when the duty is increased  
the importation will be checked, and maintain  
that as these imported cotton goods are of high  
quality and cannot yet be produced in Japan,  
they should be admitted at a reasonable rate as  
little else. A proposal is on foot among the  
dealers to address a memorial to the Government  
concerning.

## SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, February 4th.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR FRANCIS  
PIGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

THE ALLANA ESTATE.

The Chief Justice delivered his decision on a  
point raised by Mr. Hastings with regard to the  
jurisdiction of the Court over strangers to  
bankruptcy proceedings. The point was raised  
on a motion brought by the Official Receiver to  
set aside the sale of the bankrupt's property to  
S. A. Marican.

Mr. J. Scott Harston (of Messrs. Ewens and  
Harston) represented the Official Receiver, and  
Mr. John Hastings (of Messrs. Hastings and  
Hastings) appeared for the purchaser.

His Lordship said—A motion has been  
made in this case which is practically  
to set aside an assignment made by the  
bankrupt Allana of his business to Marican,  
for certain reasons which are set out in the  
notice of motion. I say practically to set aside,  
because I am not quite sure that the motion may  
not require some amendment, but a preliminary  
objection was taken by Mr. Hastings on behalf  
of the purchaser of the business, that this Court  
sitting in bankruptcy has no jurisdiction to  
entertain such a motion, and this question was  
argued on the basis that the motion was, as I  
have described it. The objection stated shortly  
is this: That this is a question which concerns  
a stranger to the bankruptcy; that the Court of  
Bankruptcy at Home has jurisdiction to decide  
such a question only in virtue of section 102 of  
the Bankruptcy Act of 1853; that section has  
not been introduced into the Colonial Ordinance  
No. 7 of 1891, which is otherwise based in the  
English Act, and that therefore this Court being  
the bankruptcy side of the Supreme Court, has  
no jurisdiction. The problem thus raised is  
one which I have had the greatest difficulty in  
solving. Sections 122-162 of the Home Act give  
certain power to the Bankruptcy Court, which  
is to decide all questions of priorities, and all  
other questions of law and fact which may arise  
in any case of bankruptcy, of which it may  
deem it necessary or expedient to decide for  
the purpose of doing complete justice or making  
a complete distribution of property. This  
section has been omitted from the Hongkong  
Ordinance for reasons which are not apparent  
and I do not think I have the right to enquire  
arbitrarily as from the explanatory report made by  
the Attorney-General of the time what the  
reasons were which induced him to omit it.  
But I must seek for the reasons as best I may.  
He cannot have thought it superfluous, because  
no law officer in a Colony would take upon  
himself the great responsibility of so deciding  
with regard to an important section of such  
a piece of legislation. But he may have thought  
it unnecessary in this Colony, having special  
regard to the constitution of the Supreme Court  
of the Colony and this is the contention advanced  
by Mr. Harston in support of the motion. Now  
it has been assumed throughout the argument  
that the object of section 102 which was section  
72 of the act of 1853 is the only section  
which confers jurisdiction on the court of bank-  
ruptcy against strangers. This is certainly  
not said in so many words, but it does not seem  
as if there is a consensus of opinion that this is  
its object, that is to give the bankruptcy court  
jurisdiction to decide questions affecting stran-  
gers to the bankruptcy which would otherwise  
be decided by the other court. Now whatever  
may be said as to the personal jurisdiction of the  
judges in England, the different jurisdictions of  
the Supreme Court are well defined, but here  
everything is vested in the Chief Justice, the  
Puisne Judge has a co-ordinate jurisdiction,  
but for all practical purposes the Chief Justice  
is the justice at common law in equity and  
in bankruptcy, and the Attorney-General of  
the time may have said "What is the use of  
saying that the Chief Justice may do one  
day in bankruptcy what he may do the next day  
in the same court, with the same staff in  
original jurisdiction?" I do not say that the  
reasoning is satisfactory and had I been drafting  
the ordinance, I should not have omitted this  
section, because it is desirable to preserve in  
the Colonial courts as far as possible the  
forms of the courts at Home. But in order to  
adopt this reasoning I should have to satisfy  
myself that there is no provision which preserves  
here the lines of demarcation of the several  
jurisdictions of the English courts. Mr.  
Harston's most ingenious argument in brief is  
this—By section 4 of the repeal Ordinance No.  
3, 1855, which dealt with the constitution of  
the Supreme Court, it is provided that it  
shall not be necessary to bring any proceed-  
ing on the equity side of the court for  
the purpose of bringing to another court  
any equitable claim, defence or question inci-  
dent or collateral or arising out of any proceed-  
ing on any other side of the said court, but  
every such claim may be heard on petition or  
motion instituted in such last mentioned  
proceeding. By section 4 of Ordinance 5 of  
1864 the old Bankruptcy Ordinance it was  
provided that the Supreme Court "shall have  
jurisdiction in bankruptcy, and the Chief  
Justice, when sitting in bankruptcy, shall have  
all the powers rights and privileges which are  
now exercised or enjoyed by him, except where  
this ordinance otherwise specially provides."  
The subsequent repeal ordinances 20 of 1891,  
bankruptcy, and 6 of 1901, civil procedure,  
preserve rights and privileges etc., jurisdiction or  
principle, etc., created by the ordinances "sever-  
ally repealed." The argument is this that the  
court of bankruptcy by 5 of 1864 has the same  
powers rights and privileges as the Supreme  
Court in its original jurisdiction and in this  
jurisdiction by 3 of 1858 the distinction for the  
purpose of jurisdiction between equity and  
common law is abolished, therefore the court  
in bankruptcy has equity jurisdiction and  
therefore section 102 is unnecessary because it  
would confer a jurisdiction "to decide priorities  
etc." which it already has. It seems to me

quite probable that this was in the mind of the  
Attorney-General when drafting the bankruptcy  
ordinance in 1891, but I hesitate to adopt it,  
because sec. 5 of 1864 refers to the "Chief Justice  
sitting in bankruptcy," and it seems to me that  
the "powers, rights and privileges," which are con-  
ferred upon him when he is sitting in bankruptcy  
are those personal privileges enjoyed by a judge  
at common law, as for example the power to  
commit for contempt, and from my experience of  
drafting I know that it is necessary in order to  
remove doubts to confer these old common law  
privileges on a judge when he is sitting in a  
newly created jurisdiction. I express this  
opinion in order to show that I have not over-  
looked Mr. Harston's argument. I am not  
positive whether it is the answer to it, but in  
view of the opinion I have formed on the  
question, looked at from another point  
of view, it is not necessary for me to  
decide the point definitely. I must now  
look at section 102 a little more closely,  
and see whether what I am asked to do  
in this case does not fall within the inherent  
jurisdiction of the Court to carry out the  
Bankruptcy Ordinance, with the administration  
of which it is charged. *Ellis v. Silber* was  
much relied on by Mr. Hastings, but all it  
decides is that the jurisdiction conferred on the  
Bankruptcy Court by section 102 is not an  
exclusive jurisdiction; and that if proceedings  
are being taken in the Court of Common Law  
or Equity, it cannot be said by virtue of  
this section that they ought to have been  
brought in the bankruptcy. On the other  
hand it is undoubtedly the fact that in  
all the cases either this section or its  
predecessor, section 72 of the Act of 1859 is  
referred to. But the contention in this case is  
that the effect of section 102 is to create all the  
jurisdiction which is necessary to the Bankruptcy  
Court to deal with a question whenever a  
stranger is affected. Now, the first thing which  
strikes one on looking at the section, is the  
reference to "priorities." It says that every  
Court having jurisdiction in Bankruptcy under  
the Act, is to have full power to decide all  
questions of priorities. Pausing there for a  
moment, certain priorities over other debts in  
respect of a certain class of debts—rates,  
wages etc. are created by section 31 of the  
Ordinance, which is to all intents and purposes  
the same provision as sections 1 and 2 of the  
Act of 1858, which is added to section 40 of the  
Act of 1853. Now, as these priorities, which  
rank among themselves *pari passu*, are  
determined by the Act itself, it seems clear that  
they are not the priorities referred to in section  
102. We must therefore go back to section 9  
(2), which is section 10 (2) of our Ordinance.  
That clause provides that the provisions of the  
section which deal with the effect of a receiving  
order, are not to affect the power of a secured  
creditor to realise or otherwise deal with his  
security. It is obvious that questions of  
priority may arise among the secured  
creditors; and as they lie outside the bank-  
ruptcy, unless they are brought in by the  
creditors themselves, the Court of Bankruptcy  
could have no power of dealing with such ques-  
tion. Power is given to the Court at home by  
section 102 to settle these priorities, and hence  
I think must have arisen the idea that the sec-  
tion confers a power on the Court to determine  
questions affecting strangers; for secured credi-  
tors, unless they come in, are accurately describ-  
ed as strangers to the bankruptcy; and therefore,  
by section 102 the Court has power to decide  
the priorities of these creditors among them-  
selves. I am not sure that this does  
not furnish an answer to the question which  
has been raised as to the jurisdiction of  
this Court; subject to what I have already  
said, I should have thought it clear that  
the Chief Justice sitting in bankruptcy could  
not decide questions of priorities among secured  
creditors in the absence of a provision resembling  
section 102. I think therefore that the omission  
of such a provision must have been deliberate.  
I shall have to consider the effect of section 30  
of the Ordinance which refers to secured  
creditors, presently. I think that this relieves  
me of the necessity of considering whether the  
remaining words of this part of section 102—  
"and all other questions whatsoever, whether  
of law or fact"—are to be governed by the  
*ejusdem generis* rule, for, if one part of the  
section was deliberately omitted all of it  
must be treated as omitted. But one thing is  
quite clear, that the jurisdiction conferred by  
section 102 is additional to the normal juris-  
diction of the Bankruptcy Court—the section  
itself begins "subject to the provisions of this  
Act"—and it is here that I think I have lighted  
upon the weak spot in Mr. Hastings' argu-  
ment. Granted that section 102 confers a  
special power to deal with questions affecting  
strangers, and without going to the extreme  
of saying that this means questions arising  
between strangers (because although, in the  
absence of the authorities I should be strongly  
inclined to think it did, in the presence of these  
authorities I can hardly do so) it does not follow  
that all questions affecting strangers are dealt  
with solely under section 102. For there is this  
question which must frequently arise, and look-  
ing at the cases quoted in the books under  
section 9, I should say has frequently arisen—Is  
the creditor who says he is secured really  
secured? If the Bankruptcy Court cannot  
decide this question, but must, as it is contended,  
always remit the decision of it to another Court,  
endless litigation would result, with endless  
costs, and the true functions of the Court of  
Bankruptcy would disappear. It seems to me  
impossible to contend that, if a creditor  
says he is secured, the Court cannot  
decide whether he is secured. I think  
that the Court has power under section  
43 to decide the question, for under  
that section (section 50 of the Act at  
Home) the trustee must take possession of the  
bankrupt's property, and he may apply to the  
Court not merely to enforce his acquisition, but  
also to enforce his retention of it. Now, if the  
trustee goes into possession of a business, as he



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IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that pursuant to the provisions of the JURY CONSOLIDATION ORDINANCE, 1887, I have this day caused to be posted at the chief entrance to the Court House a List of all persons ascertained by me to be liable to serve as Jurors.

The said List will remain so posted until the 16th instant, in order that any person may apply by notice in writing to me requiring that his name or the name of some other person may be respectively either added to or struck off from the said List, upon cause to be duly assigned in such notice.

ARATHOON SETH,

The Registry, Supreme Court, Hongkong, 1st February, 1909. [287]

## PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned has received instructions to commence the Sale of THE STOCK-IN-TRADE & FIXTURES of Messrs. JAY'S, LTD. which had previously been postponed owing to the nearness of Chinese New Year.

The 1st Sale will take place On MONDAY and TUESDAY, the 8th and 9th February, commencing each day at 10.30 a.m.

Subsequent Sales will be duly announced.

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GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1909. [288]

## FOR SHANGHAI

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer "BRITANNIA," Capt. S. Barclay, will for Shanghai TO-DAY, the 5th inst. at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

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CONSIGNEES OF CARGO by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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Goods not cleared by the 10th inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1909. [1]

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

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Goods not cleared by 11th Febr., will be subject to rent.

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## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1909. [285]

## SUTTON'S SEEDS.

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## PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LD.

THE TWELFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, 8, George Street, BUILDING, No. 6, Cornhill Road, 70, MORROW (SATURDAY), 6th Feb. 1909, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1908, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors. THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 1st February, until SATURDAY, the 6th February, 1909, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1909. [282]

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on TUESDAY, the 9th February, 1909, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1908.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to 20th February (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be effected.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1909. [238]

THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on TUESDAY, the 9th February, 1909, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1908.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 3rd February, to TUESDAY, the 9th February, (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELLTON HOOPER, Secretary to the

HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD., Agents for the

KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING CO., LTD. Hongkong, 27th January, 1909. [246]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, Queen's Buildings, New Praya, on MONDAY, the 22nd February, 1909, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1908.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 22nd February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, THOS. I. ROSE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1909. [247]

THE YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LIMITED.

SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 4/448 representing 8 Shares of the YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LIMITED, registered in the name of HOW CHONG (何昌) has been declared to be LOST.

This is to Give Notice that if the above-mentioned Certificate be not presented at this Office within One Month from Date, a New Certificate will be issued in place thereof.

By Order of the Board of Directors, W. S. JACKSON, Secretary.

No. 25, The Bund, Shanghai, 13th January, 1909. [206]

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No. 4782—157229/157236—8 Shares in name of ETHEL NEWTON TREBE.

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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1909. [271]

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Hongkong, 22nd January, 1909. [224]

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## INTIMATIONS

## NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 4th February, 1909. [279]

DEVONIAN SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL DEVONIAN DINNER will be held at the Honorable Hotel on SATURDAY, 13th February, 1909, at 8 o'clock p.m.

Devonians wishing to attend are requested to send in their Names to M. S. NORTHCOOTE, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1909. [274]

HARBOUR MASTERS' DEPARTMENT.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that information has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out as under:—

On THURSDAY, FRIDAY, MONDAY and TUESDAY, the 4th, 5th, 8th and 9th February.

From Lyman F.O. in a North-Easterly direction, at ranges up to 5,000 yards, commencing at 3 p.m., and finishing at 10 p.m.

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BASIL TAYLOR, Commander, R.N., Harbour Master, &c.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1909. [259]

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

TENDERS will be received at the HEAD QUARTER OFFICES, Victoria Barracks, until 12 o'clock Noon, on MONDAY, 22nd February, 1909, for the undermentioned SUPPLIES and SERVICES for the period of 12 months commencing from 1st April, 1909:

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Forms and other particulars can be obtained on application to this Office, personally or by letter addressed to the Officer Commanding, Army Service Corps, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

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HEAD QUARTER OFFICE, Victoria Barracks, Hongkong, 4th February, 1909. [278]

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SIEMSEN & Co. Hongkong, 6th March, 1907. [47]

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CARLOWITZ & Co. Agents. Hongkong, 13th March, 1907. [535]

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Hongkong, 20th February, 1908. [401]

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Hongkong, 21st January, 1909.

## AUCTIONS

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HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1909. [282]

(By Order of the Mortgagee) PARTICULARS OF SALE OF VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY To be Sold by PUBLIC AUCTION.

On MONDAY, the 15th day of February, 1909, at 12 o'clock Noon, by MR. GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

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MR. GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1909. [283]

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Hongkong, 18th January, 1909. [41]

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Hongkong 1st April, 1908. [48]

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**OFFICES** in ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

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Hongkong, 9th January, 1900. [110]

## INTIMATIONS

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Apply to—**REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO.**  
Hongkong, 1st February, 1900. [263]

## TO LET

**GODOWNS**, Nos. 95, 96 and 97, PRAYA EAST.

Apply to—**CHATER & MODY**,  
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**GOOD OFFICES** at No. 2, PEDDER STREET.

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**COAL YARD**. Immediate Possession.  
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Hongkong, 4th February, 1900. [281]

## THE EARTHQUAKE.

## IMPRESSIONS OF MESSINA.

(FROM "THE TIMES" SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS.)

**MESSINA, Jan. 5, via MALTA, Jan. 7.**  
A city ruined and deserted, the dead silence of the grave, horror stamped on the faces of the few persons who escaped and have not yet fled—that is what I have found at Messina. Of the many impressions that remain with me to-night three stand out above the rest.

When we had passed Scylla and rounded Capo dei Faro, there was opened up a panorama of destruction. Faro, Paradiso, and all the villages along the coast were in ruins. Then Messina came into sight. The sun was setting, and a lovely frame of violet hills, tranquil dark sea, and a sky of emerald and gold surrounded the scene of the world's greatest tragedy. At first the extent of the disaster was not apparent, for white walls showed prettily against the dark background, and it was hard to believe that the city was destroyed. But soon we saw that nothing remained but tottering shells. All along the magnificent curved sea-front was ruin; nothing broke the desolate line, nothing had been spared. And then we entered the harbour, and the most dreadful thing of all became apparent to us. Messina was dead. Throughout the length of the Corso Vittorio Emanuele, which a few days ago had been an esplanade busy with traffic and gay with life and colour, was silence, the silence of the grave. Sometimes a few soldiers passed, and at one point there was a small crowd waiting for a distribution of food. The rest was death. That was my first impression.

**THE SCENE BY NIGHT.**  
The night fell, and the only illumination was from the lamps and searchlights of the many ships in the harbour. I was rowed ashore. The searchlight of an Italian warship played on a single spot, and to it the boatmen took me. I was where the troops had organized some sort of headquarters, and a little band of soldiers were sitting round a camp fire. They talked softly, as men do in the presence of death, and in the brilliant light from the ship it seemed that this was the only place alive in what had been a town of a hundred thousand inhabitants. This was my second impression.

I walked the length of the Corso, and then I realized the full horror of what had befallen Messina. A large city has been smothered as a glass dish would be smashed if it were thrown upon a stone floor. That any inhabitants survived seemed miraculous; that the most appalling estimates of the loss of life have not been exaggerations appears evident. To go into details is useless. It is ruin everywhere. The only thing I found intact was Montorselli's beautiful fountain of Neptune.

And over all was the same awful silence. I did not see a hundred refugees. There are about 2,000 left who mostly sleep in the ship in the harbour while perhaps 5,000 are on the hills behind the town. The rest are dead or have fled. Or they are dying. The crowing horror is the belief, very certainly, that under some of those hideous masses of fallen bricks and stone are human beings who are slowly perishing. Three more persons were dug out alive to-day. It were best not to dwell on the thought of the others, for to save more than a very few is impossible.

**NO COMPARISON WITH SAN FRANCISCO.**  
From this last blow the most unfortunate of all historic cities cannot, I fear, recover. It seems impossible that there can be another Messina; the disaster is too complete, too overwhelming. There is not a habitable building left. I suppose that comparisons have been made with the destruction of San Francisco. No real comparison is possible. I was in San Francisco five days after the earthquake and already wood-piles were being used for building, work had begun on the tramway lines, and the main streets were crowded with cheerful, hopeful people. The residential portion of the city had been spared, and just across the bay was Oakland to serve as a temporary place of business. The case of Messina is altogether different. Soon there will be nobody left but the troops. A small settlement may be established, but Messina has disappeared.

The British are doing admirable work. Not only are our warships aiding the sufferers, but our merchant vessels, too. The steamship *Vita*, which brought me here, was used by Captain Lawton at the disposal of the Italian Government, and carried a large quantity of supplies. One passenger was a young man who had lost all his relations through the disaster. The Italian naval and military authorities are working admirably, and the stories of the lack of organization are quite untrue.

**MESSINA, Jan. 6.**  
His Majesty's ship *Canopus* arrived last night with 90 tons of flour and a considerable amount of medical supplies and bedding, which she will to-day convey to San Giovanni, whence the *Erzuli* has returned. The authorities have finally decided what they will do with the town. Measures are now being taken to deport all the remaining inhabitants to other places. The town will then be handed over to the military, who will endeavour to create some order out of the chaos.

Yesterday no fewer than 37 living persons were released from their imprisonment, including the captain of the fort. The greatest disaster prevails in the villages around Messina. No supplies have so far been sent to them.

## A HELPER'S EXPERIENCES.

**ROME, January 7th.**  
I have just seen one of the first people to arrive at Messina after the catastrophe, who has now returned to Rome after a week's work in the centre of the city, where he established an ambulance station. Though expecting the worst, he said there was no stretch of imagination could have prepared him for the awful reality, which was beyond all powers of description. He had returned because there was nothing now left to do in Messina but to bury the dead. It was a city of 150,000 inhabitants, exclusive of its suburbs; it is now a collection of formless mounds and ruins, in the centre of which a vast fire is still burning. Beneath those mounds lie the bodies of some four-fifths of its inhabitants, for he does not believe that more than 30,000 people have escaped. The wretched survivors who have not yet been taken away are now to be counted by hundreds. Absolute silence reigns, which is only broken now and then by the shots fired at stray dogs. The only movement is the endless procession of dead bodies, which are carried away for burial. These are bodies which are found in the open, or are extricated in the search for the living, for it has been impossible to think of spending time in looking for the dead. As to that, he believed that it would take an army of men two years to clear the city. It could not have been more completely blotted out.

The houses, my informant said, had been affected in three different ways by the earthquake. In some cases the whole centre of the house had fallen, leaving the empty case of the outer walls enclosing a heap of broken rubbish. In others, and these are more numerous, the main walls fall outwards,

leaving the core of the house exposed like an open doll's house, with the floors intact. Indeed, he thought that the inhabitants would have had a slightly better chance of safety by remaining in their beds, for in the streets death must have been almost certain; they were choked from end to end with heaps of masonry. But in most cases the houses had fallen entirely, leaving a shapeless mound. Houses and streets were reduced to indistinguishable masses of broken rubble, beneath which lies the population of Messina. What he learnt from survivors, fell upon the city from the very first when the last thunder of the earthquake had died away, and had left the city stricken dumb. He spoke, too, of the dull subterranean thunder which accompanied the lesser shocks which have continued on and off during the last week.

His own work had been the establishment of an ambulance station in a clear space in the most central part of the city, and assistance in the work of rescue, the horrors of which, physical and mental, he could not describe. The rescue work was enormously helped by the fire brigades of different cities in Italy, whose reckless courage was beyond all praise. They were greatly helped, too, by the Russian sailors, and admirably seconded by the Italian army and navy, both of which, rank and file, had laboured incessantly with the utmost devotion. Of the British sailors, of the perfect organization of their ambulances, of their ready and generous response to every appeal, and of the invaluable help they had given at the most critical time he could not speak too warmly.

**THE SITUATION IN CALABRIA.**  
With every more favourable report from one locality in Calabria comes news of the discovery of a greater disaster elsewhere. Whichever way the sun is worked, either by counting the living or by computing the proportion of dead from the proportion of survivors in separate families (my friend told me that in Messina he rarely heard of more than one in seven being saved), the terrible total of mortality seems to be always growing. The tale of distress, too, in Calabria shows signs of diminution, and the ship *Beyers*, which sailed to-day with the American Ambassador and a relief expedition, will find and save of all the supplies and assistance they can bring to the smaller ruined towns on the Calabrian coast. A word of praise is due to the wonderful promptitude and thoroughness with which the American Embassy and colony have carried out their plan of relief, and still more praise to the generosity of those volunteers, who, like Mr. John Elliott, Mr. Nelson Gay, and Mr. Wilfrid Thompson, have abandoned their own work in Rome, and have given what was more valuable than money, their own time and personal services.

The Deputy de Nava has telegraphed to the *Gazzetta d'Italia* an account of the rescue work in Calabria, in which he speaks in warm admiration of the assistance given by the British ships, declaring that the names of their commanders and the memory of their officers and sailors will remain indelible.

## MARVELS OF SURGERY.

## NEW KNOWLEDGE OF THE APPENDIX AND ITS USE.

That much-abused organ of the human body, the appendix vermiformis, which we have been led to believe is merely a vestigial organ of no worth or use, and can readily be dispensed with, has, it seems, its uses after all.

Although it has not been proved that appendicectomy (a term which is used for the washing out of the bowel) will save off or postpone the degeneration of old age, it is probable that that is the case; and the person of 90 should have the vigour and health of youth—if he has retained the appendix, and has submitted to appendicectomy.

In a paper read before the Surgical section of the Royal Society of Medicine, and published in the current number of the "Lancet," Dr. C. B. Keetley, senior surgeon of the West London Hospital, adduces some remarkable reasons why the surgeon should attempt to preserve the appendix in cases of appendicitis, rather than sacrifice that organ. His successful removals have been regarded as one of the wonders of modern surgery, its preservation by means of transplantation in the instance quoted by Dr. Keetley is nothing short of marvellous.

Sir William MacEwen Dr. Keetley tells us, has demonstrated that the appendix has physiological uses; and so eminent a scientist as Professor Metchnikoff has suggested that the degeneration of old age are to a large extent the effects of toxins manufactured by the bacteria which swarm in the large intestine. Among the facts bearing on the question, he has reminded us of the great ages attained by birds, such as parrots and ravens, who have no large intestine.

Still, the fact remains that human beings have the large intestine; the point to be decided is, how to clear it of the bacteria which take up their quarters in it, to the utter discomfort of the owner of the appendix. It has been discovered that appendicectomy, when used for regular frequent, and considerable injections of water, at one and the same time feeds the blood with liquid, and washes out of the large intestine its noxious germs and their toxins.

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An anticyclonic area lies over the Yangtze Valley and pressure has increased considerably over the seas coast and the Loochoos.

Strong monsoon will prevail in the Formosa Channel and the China sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

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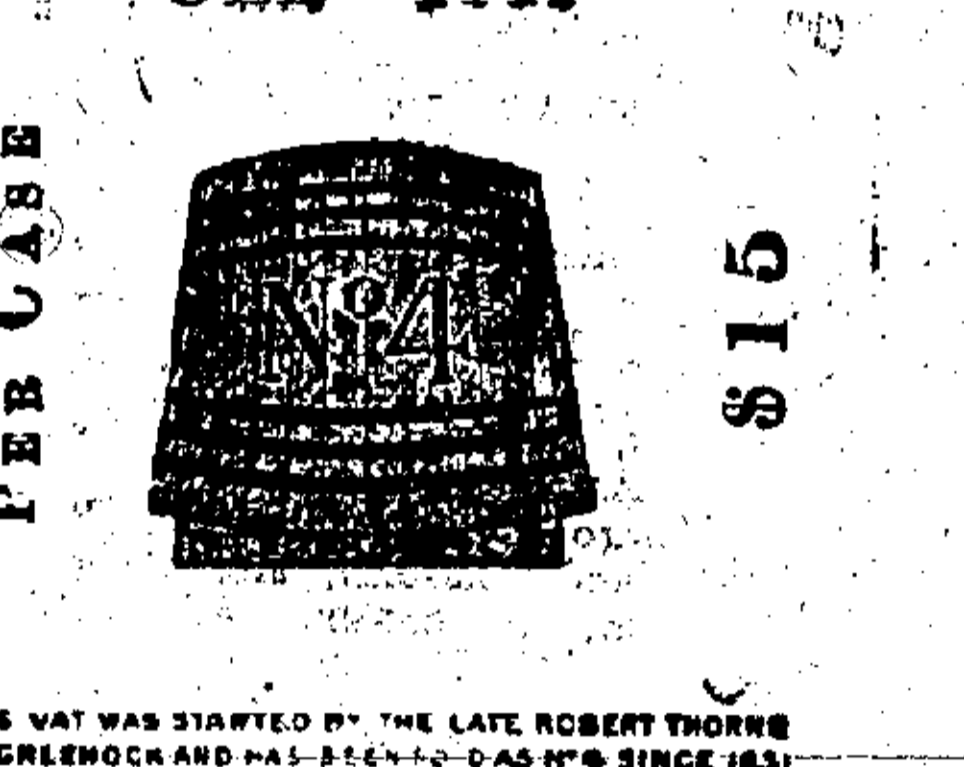
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SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALUTTA	"FOOKSANG"	Wednesday, 10th Febr., Noon
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KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"YAWATA MARU"	3817	FRIDAY, 19th Febr., at Noon.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	"NIKKO MARU"	5539	FRIDAY, 19th March, at Noon.
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NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"WAKAMIYA MARU"	3949	SUNDAY, 7th Febr., at Noon.
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11th February	at 8.15 p.m.
18th February	at 7.45 a.m.
25th February	at 8.15 p.m.
5th March	at 7.45 a.m.
12th March	at 8.15 p.m.
18th March	at 8.15 p.m.

The Siberia, with the American mail is due to arrive here to-day.

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Shanghai	British	Friday, 5th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	British	Friday, 5th, 11.00 A.M.
Bangkok	British	Friday, 5th, 11.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	British	Friday, 5th, 11.00 A.M.
Manila	British	Friday, 5th, 1.00 P.M.
Macao	British	Friday, 5th, 1.15 P.M.
Manila	British	Friday, 5th, 3.0 P.M.
Shanghai	Hongkong	Friday, 5th, 3.00 P.M.
Vancouver	British	Friday, 5th, 3.00 P.M.
Batavia and Sourabaya	British	Friday, 5th, 5.00 P.M.
Macao and Singapore	British	Friday, 5th, 5.00 P.M.
Kobe and Yokohama	British	Friday, 5th, 5.00 P.M.
Hoibow and Haiphong	British	Friday, 5th, 5.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	British	Friday, 5th, 5.00 P.M.
Europe, &c, India via Tientsin	British	Saturday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
Late Letters 11.00 to Noon Extra	British	Saturday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
Postage 10 cents.	British	Saturday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail.	British	Saturday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
Extra Postage 10 cents.	British	Saturday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.	British	Saturday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
The Parcel mail will be closed today, at 5 p.m.	British	Saturday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
Macao	British	Saturday, 6th, 11.00 A.M.
Shanghai	British	Saturday, 6th, 1.15 P.M.
Amoy, Singapore and Bangkok	British	Saturday, 6th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui	British	Sunday, 7th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow and Bangkok	British	Sunday, 7th, 9.00 A.M.
Haiphong	British	Sunday, 7th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	British	Tuesday, 9th, 9.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	British	Tuesday, 9th, 10.00 A.M.

SHIPPING IN PORT.

AMARA, British str. 1565, Maitland, 2nd Feb. - Kaituma 28th Jan. Coal-Mitsui Bishi Goshi Kaisha.

AMICO, German str. 822, Franden, 3rd Feb. - Haiphong 29th Jan. and Hoibow 1st Feb. - General and Rice-Jensen & Co.

ANKUT, British str. 1350, S. Monthiel, 3rd Feb. - Shanghai 31st Jan. General-Butterfield & Swire.

ARIAKE MARU, Japanese str. 2182, Aogawa, 30th Jan. - Moji 25th Jan. Coal-Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

BANGKOK, German str. 1237, Nicolaisen, 30th Jan. - Bangkok 22nd Jan. Rice-Butterfield & Swire.

CHOWING, German str. 1022, J. Bruhn, 24th Jan. - Bangkok 14th Jan. Rice, Salt and Teakwood-Butterfield & Swire.

CHOWFA, German str. 1026, Rehr, 29th Jan. - Bangkok 21st Jan. Rice-Butterfield & Swire.

DAIYA MARU, Japanese str. 1735, Kabayashi, 31st Jan. - Wakamatsu 25th Jan. Coal-Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

DRUPAR, Norwegian str. 1102, J. Birg, 31st Jan. - Chindiang 26th Jan. Groundnut-Hamburg-America Linie.

EASTERN, British str. 2272, W. G. McArthur, 1st Feb. - Kobo 26th Jan. General-Gibb, Livingston & Co.

EMPRESS OF CHINA, British str. 3046, R. Archibald, R.N.R. 22nd Jan. - Vancouver, B. C. 21st Jan. General-C. P. R. Co.

ESANG, British str. 1127, Myrick, 2nd Feb. - Chinkiang 29th Jan. General-Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FRITHOF, Norwegian str. 891, O. Andersen, 29th Jan. - Pulo Laut 21st Jan. Coal-Aagaard Thoresen & Co.

FUKUYA MARU, Jap. str. 1946, Kumawaki, 29th Jan. - Moji 24th Jan. Coal-Mitsui Bishi Goshi Kaisha.

GERMANIA, German str. 1600, H. Flugel, 21st Jan. - Sydney 10th Dec. Koyen-Siemssen & Co.

HAIPHONG, British str. 1167, W. C. Passmore, 3rd Feb. - Foochow, Amoy and Swatow 2nd Feb. General-Douglas, Leprie & Co.

HAFAN, British str. 1183, Roush, 29th Jan. - Swatow 28th Jan. General-Douglas, Leprie & Co.

HALDIS, Norwegian str. 1056, Solberg, 20th Jan. - Swatow 19th Jan. Ballast-Aagaard Thoresen & Co.

HANOSAN, British str. 1356, S. Wilde, 1st Feb. - Shanghai 27th Jan. General-Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HANYANG, British str. 1207, Trembridge, 31st Jan. - Dalny 23rd and Chefoo 25th Jan. General-Butterfield & Swire.

HONGKONG, French str. 742, Cornelissen, 3rd Feb. - Haiphong and Hoibow 2nd Feb. General-A. R. Marty.

JOHANN, German str. 952, J. J. Jensen, 27th Jan. - Saigon 21st Jan. Rice-Jensen & Co.

KURICHO, British str. 1787, G. Hooker, 24th Jan. - Foochow 17th Jan. Sugar-Butterfield & Swire.

KWANGSH, British str. 1228, Stott, 1st Feb. - Chinkiang and Amoy 31st Jan. General-Butterfield & Swire.

KWANGTAN, Chinese str. 1536, W. H. Lunt, 1st Feb. - Shanghai 29th Jan. General-Chinese.

LIGHTNING, British str. 2122, A. E. Gentles, 26th Jan. - Singapore 20th Jan. General-David Sassoon & Co.

LOOSBUN, German str. 1020, W. Tumbert, 27th Jan. - Bangkok 18th Jan. Rice-Butterfield & Swire.

LOONGKANG, British str. 1092, S. J. Payne, 1st Feb. - Manila 29th Jan. General-Jardine, Matheson & Co.

LOYAL, German str. 1337, F. Natzius, 28th Jan. - Bangkok 17th Jan. General-Sander, Wieler & Co.

MATHILDE KOBNER, German str. 1847, M. 3rd Feb. - Moji 29th Jan. Coal-Jensen & Co.

MERAPI, Dutch str. 1597, Uldall, 3rd Feb. - Singapore 26th Jan. Sugar-Chinese.

NANCHANG, British str. 1044, G. I. Spinks, 2nd Feb. - Hoio 29th Jan. Sugar-Butterfield & Swire.

PHUMPHEN, British str. 1065, J. H. Scott, 27th Jan. - Saigon 21st Jan. Rice-Chinese.

PERANANG, German str. 1021, Fr. v. Mangelsdorf, 27th Jan. - Bangkok 18th Jan. Rice-Butterfield & Swire.

PROTECTOR, Danish str. 145, Neilsen, 25th Jan. - Haiphong 23rd Jan. General-Thoresen & Co.

RUBI, British str. 1619, R. Almond, 1st Feb. - Manila 30th Jan. General-Shewan, Tomes & Co.

SEMINOLE, British str. 3796, H. D. Clarke, 28th Jan. - Swatow 27th Jan. Water-ballast-Standard Oil Co. of New York.

SHANTUNG, British str. 1335, Gessowich, 22nd Jan. - Bangkok 12th Jan. Rice-Butterfield & Swire.

SHAOHING, British str. 1312, McIntosh, 3rd Feb. - Shanghai 30th Jan. General-Butterfield & Swire.

SHINKO MARU, Japanese str. 1605, Seki, 1st Feb. - Moji 24th Jan. Coal-Ataka & Co.

SHIRI MARU, Japanese str. 1388, K. Tomazawa, 25th Jan. - Moji 19th Jan. General-Ataka.

STANDARD, Norwegian str. 895, H. Bull, 28th Jan. - Saigon 22nd Jan. Rice-Aagaard Thoresen & Co.

STERN, British str. 2246, C. Sangster, 31st Jan. - Foochow 29th Jan. Oil-Gibb, McLean & Co.

SUISANG, British str. 1785, W. D. Welch, 16th Jan. - Singapore 8th Jan. General-Jardine, Matheson & Co.

TAISHAN, British str. 1225, J. S. Laing, 24th Jan. - Saigon 19th Jan. Rice-Bradley & Co.

TARLAC, American str. 553, Gastanaga, 27th Jan. - Manila 20th Jan. Ballast-Order.

THREACRE, Brit str. 1340, J. Williams, 31st Jan. - Saigon 20th Jan. Rice and General-Chinese.

TRUCER, British str. 9018, G. W. Parkinson, 3rd Feb. - Shanghai 29th Jan. General-Butterfield & Swire.

TUNOVS, Norwegian str. 1039, G. Fr. Krogh, 1st Feb. - Wuhu 26th and Chinkiang 27th Jan. Rice-Hamburg-America Linie.

WOSANG, British str. 1127, G. McHussey, 3rd Feb. - Wuhu 29th Jan. Rice-Jardine, Matheson & Co.

YATSHING, British str. 1424, Courtney, 2nd Feb. - Wellauiwei 28th Jan. General-Jardine, Matheson & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

ANNA E. SMILE, American 4-masted barque, 809, John F. Coltramp, 13th Dec. - Portland Oregon 8th Oct. Lumber-Mr. Jack.

DAYLIGHT, British barque, 3,060, M. Bryde, 9th October - Yokohama 14th September, Ballast-Standard Oil Co.

LYNDHURST, British 4-masted barque, 2,500 Parnell, 14th September - Bangkok 25th August, Case Oil-Standard Oil Co.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corporation.	120,000	\$125	all	\$895, 1/2
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	\$7	26	\$51, buyers
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$260	\$50	\$190, sellers
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	\$87, buyers
North China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$15	\$5	Tls. 100.
Union Insurance Society, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$100	\$830, sales
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$177, 1/2
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	20	\$106.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	50	\$330, sales
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Limited	50,000	\$50	all	\$90, sales
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$12, sellers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$63	\$63	\$9, buyers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 77.
China and Manilla Steamship Co., Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$12, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$34.
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$29, buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$5	all	\$37, 1/2
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$107, 1/2
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	\$10	\$5	\$125.
Taku Tug and Lighter Co., Limited	8,600	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 45.
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Co., Limited	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 47, 1/2
Do. Preference	100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 51, 1/2
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$130, sales
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$17, sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 77, 1/2
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Limited	60,000	\$50	all	\$45, sal. & sel.
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	32,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 153.
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	100	\$90, buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 120.
Kowloon Land and Building Company	6,000	\$50	\$50	\$32, sellers
Wei-hai-wei Land and Building Co.	3,674	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	\$9, buyers
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co.	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$44, sellers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$44, sellers
The Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	all	\$14.
Soefrte Francaise des Charbonnages du Tonkin	18,000	Fcs. 250	all	\$590, buyers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Limited	200,000	\$1	18/10	\$8, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	all	\$90.
Astor House Hotel Co., Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$16, 1/2
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$9, sellers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$2, buyers
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	all	\$200, buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	8,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 121.
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$19.
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	10	\$97, 1/2
Hongkong Milling Co., Ltd. (in Liquidation)	10,000	\$100	\$100	Nominal
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	3,604	\$12/6	12/6	\$9, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,000 only	\$10	\$10	\$12, 1/2
Union Waterbury Co., Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$230.
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$10.
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	25,000	\$75	\$6	\$14, sellers
Robinson Piano Co., Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$20, sellers
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Limited	16,350	\$20	\$20	\$59, sellers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$25, buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$10, sellers
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 66.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 87.
Laon-Kung-Mow Cotton Spin & Weav. Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 76.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 280.
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	\$10	\$10.
China Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$11, buyers
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	all	\$9, buyers
Wm. Powell, Limited	12,000	\$7	\$7	\$4, sellers
South China Morning Post	3,000	\$25	\$25	\$24, sellers
China Light and Power Company	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$4, 1/2
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	\$5.
Weissmann, Limited	175	\$100	\$100	\$140.
Philippine Co., Limited	67,500	\$10	\$10	\$8, sellers
Alhambra, Limited	300	\$500	\$50	Nominal

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godown, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 5th Feb. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th February, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 10th Feb. or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, 29th January, 1909. [5]

FROM EUROPE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SAXONIA"

Captain Bahl, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed at consignees' risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and restored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, Hongkong Office. Hongkong, 1st February, 1909. [265]

S.S. "BALAZIE."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s. "Cordonan" and "Charante" from Havre ex s.s. "Cordonan" from Bordeaux ex s.s. "Cambrai" and "Ville de Bordeaux" in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, To-day requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY the 8th Feb., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

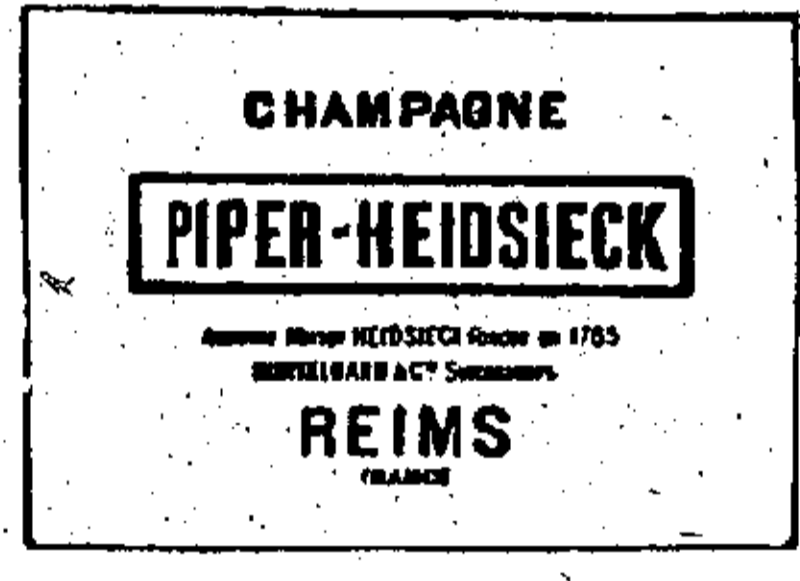
All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 8th Feb., or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 8th Feb., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

P. DE CHAMPAGNIN, Agent. Hongkong, 1st February, 1909. [2]

FOR THE RACES



SOLE AGENTS—H. RUTTONJEE & SON. WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

TO-MORROW.

Twelfth Ordinary Annual Meeting, China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., 11.30 a.m.

Ordinary Annual General Meeting, Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd., noon.

COMMERCIAL.

EXCHANGE CLOSING QUOTATION.

February 4th

ON LONDON—	Telegraphic Transfer	194
	Bank Bills, on demand	194
	Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	194
	Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	194
	Credits, at 4 months' sight	194
	Documentary Bills 4 months' sight	194
ON PARIS—	Bank Bills, on demand	222
	Credits, at 4 months' sight	222
ON GERMANY—	On demand	181
ON NEW YORK—	Bank Bills, on demand	43
	Credits, at 60 days' sight	44
ON HONGKONG—	Telegraphic Transfer	132
	Bank, on demand	133
ON CALCUTTA—	Telegraphic Transfer	132
	Bank, on demand	133
ON SHANGHAI—	Bank, at sight	74
	Private, 30 days' sight	75
ON YOKOHAMA—	On demand	61
ON MANILA—	On demand—Pesos	61
ON SINGAPORE—	On demand	75
ON BATAVIA—	On demand	107
ON HAIPHONG—	On demand	137, pm.
ON SAIGON—	On demand	137, pm.
ON BANGKOK—	On demand	86
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate		\$11.15
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tola		\$59.00
SILVER, per oz.		24

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

Chinese	20 cents pieces	\$3.08 discount.
Chinese	10	\$3.50
Hongkong	20	\$7.40
Hongkong	10	\$7.50

OPIMUM.

January 28th.

Quotations are—		per picul.
Malwa New		\$1,880
Malwa Old		\$1,190
Malwa Old		\$1,120
Malwa V. Old		\$1,150
Persian fine quality		\$1,000
Persian extra fine		\$880
Patna New		\$1,105
Patna Old		\$1,135
Banar New		\$1,060
Banar Old		

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

Jan. 9th—Indraamba, Inaba Maru, P. R. Luitpold, Prometheus. 13th—Flintshire, Glenary, Salazie, Calhau, Roma. 16th—Pello, Achilles, Palawan, Palermo. 20th—Armand Behie, Benvenne, Calahan, Denbighshire, Montrose, Sophie Rickmers. 23rd—Bulone, Lucette, Nauphoon, Princess Alice, Tourane, 27th—Glamorgan, Sthonia, Hitachi Maru, Kwang Si. 30th—Tudor Prince, Ching Wo, Ernest Simons. 30th—(Delayed through Mistake), Mojave, Sicilia. February 3rd—Antiochus, Austria, Benlauer, Diomed, Indra-mayo, Kaituma, Palma, Scandinavia.

ARRIVALS AT HOME.

February 2nd—Wakasa Maru, Teenkai.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Inaba Maru, from London, &c., Col. and Mrs. Prior, Miss Prior, Messrs W. Canning, J. P. Hall, M. Stewart and Nishi.

Per Britannia, from Hongkong, from London, Mr. J. Grant, from Marseilles, Right Rev. Bishop Price, Messrs A. Tompsett, H. Philbey and B. J. Goodyear, from Brindisi, Mr. W. Dickson, from Colombo, Messrs B. Walter and Lampmann, from Singapore, Mrs. O. Ingall, Miss A. Cheek, Messrs G. Morrison, H. Rhodes, R. Connel, C. H. Gair, T. I. Tye, T. S. Lunt and F. Wilkie, for Shanghai, from London, Mrs. Hill, Misses E. E. Crouche, L. White and Digby, Messrs O. H. George, E. N. P. Mills, A. D. Blackburn, H. W. Gummson, J. L. Hill, N. Fitzmaurice and E. Jones, from Marseilles, Messrs W. Macfarlane and S. P. Bryant, from Bombay, Mrs. Finney, from Penang, Mr. Mc-Bain and servant, from Singapore, Messrs F. Jewell and J. St. Audley and servant, for Yokohama, from London, Miss Guernsey and Mr. R. M. P. Austin, from Marseilles, Rev. and Miss Boutflower, Mr. and Miss Landale, Misses Mead and Findley, and Mr. S. P. Pyke, from Bombay, Mr. Farquharson, from Colombo, Mr. S. D. Pykes and servant.

PASSENGERS EXPECTED.

Per I.G.M. str. Princess Alice due on the 11th Feb.—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. van Hoorn, Mr. and Mrs. Ch. Komaroff, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Guy, Mr. and Mrs. V. Musso, Col. and Mrs. K. E. Lera, Miss M. Sohn, Dr. R. Rasmann, Rev. G. Gressat, Messrs H. Kaufmann, F. Wendt, A. C. Lutz, A. Ehr, E. T. Young, K. Zeddis, Klein and Preuss.

Per I.G.M. str. Kleist due on the 25th Feb.—Mr. and Mrs. Courvoisier Gallet, and family, Major, Mrs. and Miss Dann, Mrs. Waldhausen, Messrs Robt. Garmann, R. Richter and A. Wagner.

Per I.G.M. str. Duclos, due on the 8th April—Mrs. Caberon and Mr. John Bandow.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. Manilla left Sydney on the 13th ult. p.m., and may be expected here to-day.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. str. Siberia is due to arrive at this port to-day at 8 a.m.

The T.K.K. str. Nippon Maru sailed from Manila on the 4th inst., and is due to arrive in Hongkong to-morrow between 8 and 10 a.m.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. Princess Alice carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 13th ultimo left Colombo on the 1st inst. p.m., and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 12th inst.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-China str. Laisang from Calcutta and the Straits left Singapore for this port on the 2nd inst. afternoon.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. str. Montague left Vancouver on Sunday the 17th ult. for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.

The C.P.R. str. Empress of India left Vancouver p.m. on Thursday the 23rd ult. for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The Royal Packet S.N. Co.'s str. van Hoorn left Singapore for this port on the 30th ult. p.m., and may be expected here to-day, and will leave for Macao and Singapore on same day.

The H. A. Linie str. Consuelita left Manila on 2nd